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Line 24, delete ", the"

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Line 5, delete "a"

Line 7, after "by" insert --the--

Line 14, change "lowered" to --lower-- and change "of the" to
--of--

Line 25, change "potentiaIity" to --potential--

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Line 19, delete "the"

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Line 1, change "Another" to --Other--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 5 and 6 without prejudice or disclaimer
of the subject matter contained therein.

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Please amend the following claim:

Claim 1 (Amended). A modified natural rubber obtained by a
modification of a deproteinized natural rubber having a nitrogen
content of less than 0.10% by weight; wherein said modification is
carried out by graft copolymerizing said deproteinized natural
rubber with an organic compound having an unsaturated bond selected
from methacrylic acid, acrylic acid, methyl methacrylate, methyl
acrylate, 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate, acrylonitrile, vinyl